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1. As of June 1953, the Tonga Trading Company was in Ingok-tong, Ch'ongjin, with its office in a two story building formerly used by a Chinese restaurant. This firm was the only private trading company in Ch'ongjin, and was controlled by the North Korean army. The firm dealt with companies in Vladivostok and in the principal cities in Manchuria, and occasionally sent representatives to Shanghai, Canton, and Macao. Its chief exports included apples and pears for the USSR and sea products for Communist China. It imported medical equipment, medicine, and clothing material and miscellaneous items from Communist China. Including the officers listed below, the company had about twelve employees.

2. The President of the Tonga Trading Company was YIM Yŏng-ch'ang (2651/3057/2490);

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3. Chief of the General Affairs Section, Tonga Trading Company was KIM Yŏn-p'il (6855/0336/1801);

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4. Among the private businessmen who had dealings with the Tonga Trading Company was KIM Tae-hyon (6855/1129/6881), a trader

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